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The Beginning of Home Mission Work.

THE first things said and done by persons after converted to Christ.

Home Mission Work Continued.

"As ye have received Christ Jesus, the Lord, so walk ye in him."

"Work the work of the day in the day."

Home Mission Work Neglected.

"Thou hast left thy first love."

"Where is the blessedness ye spake of?"

A Return to Home Mission Work.

"REPENT and do thy first work."

"Return to thine own house, and show them what great things the Lord has done for thee, and had mercy on thee."

Don't forget to do for Home Missions this year.

You know the Home Mission work is great and good.

You know that just at this time it greatly needs your help.

You know you would be doing good to help it; and the Lord knows that if you know to do good and do it not you sin.

A Good brother writes:—

"At the heading of Report, you (the Executive Board), 'wish for explanation, if thirty-nine sermons per quarter have not been preached.' My health is not sufficient for more mental labor than is required in preparing two written sermons per week. This is the only excuse I have to render."

REPLY.—"The wish of the Board is not that a missionary shall prepare or write more than two sermons a week, but when possible, they would have him go on moonlight evenings and at such times as he is able to such school-houses, private house, unoccupied churches, halls or groves, as shall be most accessible to the more destitute families or neighborhoods, and repeat, re-preach or preach again, the best half of the sermons he has prepared."

By this, the health and the heart of the missionary are often improved, and also his hold on his people.

Very Important!

It is very important that every person who is treasurer of a church, a sabbath-school, an association, or a missionary society, or collector, or chairman, or member of missionary committee, having money in his hands belonging to the Home Mission Society, whether left over last year or the year before, or collected the present year, should send it at once to J. B. HOYT, Treasurer, 150 Nassau Street, New York. The missionaries need it, and the person who keeps it back will not be benefited by it.

MISSIONARY WORK.

"BEVERLY, MASS., Feb. 8, 1874.

"J. B. HOYT, Esq., Treasurer.

"DEAR SIR: Enclosed you will find \$2, one for myself and one for my husband, as he is not interested in missions I must give for him, which is all I can do at present. We are an old couple, nearly past our labor, and all the money I have at my disposal I earn with my own hands, but I cannot read those earnest appeals from all quarters for help without throwing in my mite. After the great fire at the Northwest our people were sending out goods, but as I had none to send I tried to content myself by praying for them, but a voice would come saying, Why do you pray? You have given nothing! I sent \$1 in the next box of goods, the only money in that box; it reached a poor suffering family, and when their heart-felt thanks came back to me I felt paid a thousand fold. So this small sum may reach some suffering missionary, and though their thanks may not reach my ear, they will reach the Throne of God and come down in blessings on my head.

"JULIA A. ROGERS."

"BEATRICE, NER., Feb. 10, 1874.

"REV. DR. BACKUS.

"DEAR BRO.: Your letter full of kindness and good cheer came to hand a few days ago. Thank the giver of that check, and assure him or her that it did good at our house.

"This is prospectively a good field, and it awaits us to occupy it and give the people the Gospel. I am busily engaged in the County School-houses about town, preparing to give the summer's work to the town people, as we hope by that time to have our house of worship completed.

"The Lord bless you in your labor of love.

"W. H. ELLER, Miss'y."

"MERIDEN, CT., Feb. 2, 1874.

"DEAR BRO.: We experience great times of blessings. The Spirit of God is converting sinners in our midst. Fourteen souls profess hope in Christ since New Year, of which number eleven have been baptized last month.

"We hope the Lord will continue this good work among us, and every where to the glory of his blessed name.

"J. H. MOEHLMANN, Miss'y."

"SOMERSET, MASS., Jan. 30, 1874.

"MY DEAR BRO.: I have been thinking of late concerning the matter of reaching the hearts of my people on the 'Home Mission' subject, in answer to the present urgent appeal. I have just been reading the February copy of the HOME MISSION HERALD. I am convinced that the people as a whole, have no adequate idea of the vastness of the enterprise, simply from the fact that the news as presented never comes to their doors. Now I wish you to send a package of twelve copies of the February number, and I will distribute them among the families of my congregation, and they will tell a more effective story than I possibly can, receiving a positive pledge from every one that he will read it thoroughly; then I will get the money from all who desire to give. I think there can be no hesitation in coming right up to the work, and we will see what can be done to relieve these poor, half paid, faithful missionaries of Christ Jesus in the West and elsewhere. O for the reading in the family. Right now a little girl in my house, trained under Catholic influence, has been looking it over. There ought to be a better understanding of these momentous facts on the part of our large denomination.

"If you will send these at once, I will put them into circulation, with the prayer that they will accomplish much good in this place. I have enjoyed my soul of late as no language can tell, and have been wonderfully prospered every way. To God be the glory. I will try Mr. Leonard, whom you doubtless recollect, and shall meet his approval I think.

"Yours very truly,

"L. L. FITZ."

NOTE.—Is there another who desires the papers?

"NEBRASKA, Jan. 27, 1874.

"MY DEAR BRO.: What am I to do? Is anything coming or not? pray let me know. I

have had to make purchases on time expecting my draft to meet them with." If you cannot send the whole, do send what you can. I am in great need. The stamp for my last letter and for this are owing for. You see my need of help. The trustees are about to send the interest on loan.

"I am now going twenty miles from home for about two weeks to hold meetings. Send help to my family if possible, or let us know if it is not to come.

"Praying God to bless you,

"I remain,

"Yours very faithfully,

"M. N. Miss'y."

"FINLEY, DAKOTA TERR.

"DEAR BRETHREN: I have deferred my report for the last quarter, though in great need of funds, for the purpose of raising something from my feeble churches to apply on your appropriation. I feel a great reluctance to take funds from the treasury when it is so far overdrawn. Neither would I do so were it not that I must have help or leave the field.

"I have preached for eighteen successive nights, and the Lord has greatly blessed his people and revived his cause. I am not here on the frontier from necessity, but I am here to gather up the scattered flock of God, because I love the work and because I believe there is no place where more good can be accomplished, with the same amount of means and labor than here.

"I am obliged to preach in private houses most of the time, and I find nearly all ready to open their doors and hear the word gladly. About twenty have embraced the truth within the past three weeks, and nearly every house within ten miles of Swan Lake has one or more disciples in it. The Lord never seemed more willing to bless the means than now, and his people never seemed more ready to 'come up to the help of the Lord.' Brethren pray for us.

"Yours in the faith,

"J. J. McIntire"

"DEAR DR. ANDERSON:—Please forward this thank-offering to the Home Mission Society on account of the debt. 'Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not his many mercies.' Father, mother, children and grandchildren, and two in heaven, \$20."

"GROTON, CT., Feb. 27, 1874.

"J. B. HOTT, Esq.

"DEAR SIR: Just now taking up the HOME MISSION HERALD for February, I am reminded, that I have seen it. 'Seen what?' Why Dr. Anderson's suggestion that every one give a dollar towards paying the debt of the Home Mission Society. 'What do I think of it?' O, I think very favorably of it. 'Have I paid the dollar?' No, not yet. 'Will I do it?' Yes, of course I will. Please find enclosed a check for \$2.00 (wife and I), in response to that suggestion.

"May every Baptist do likewise and the 'cause' prosper, is the prayer of

"WM. A. SMITH."

"OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON TERR.,

"Feb. 3, 1874.

"DEAR BRO. BACKUS:—We took up a collection last Sunday for Home Missions, and send it enclosed by money order.

"Pray for us. Washington Territory needs the aid of the Christians of the United States. If you are short of money at the East, accept the Providence, and multiply your prayers. God is over all—the Lord—our GOS. The cause of Home Missions is not utterly forgotten in this Territory. If you are unable to contribute to us, we will, by God's grace, help to make you able. As from Him accept this \$16.10 in aid of Home Missions at the hands of the First Baptist Church of Olympia.

"May God bless his elect instruments, and you personally.

ROGER S. GREENE."

Clothing.

"FOX LAKE, Feb. 9, 1874.

"MY DEAR BRO. BACKUS:—Yours of Feb. 4th, requesting me to forward name and address, size and sex of missionary families to whom a barrel or box of clothing would be acceptable, etc., is before me. Thank you for these kind remembrances, and God bless the dear sisters who have it in their hearts to aid the needy brethren, who are suffering more for the cause of Jesus in the way of financial needs than any men in the foreign field.

"When I saw that aid could not be expected from the Board, I set myself at once to procure boxes of clothing, bedding, etc., for most of the brethren who were disappointed. Of one I was assured that his children were actually half naked.

"Most of the boxes I obtained from our missionary churches—though I knew I could get them from Eastern churches—because I wanted to use the occasion to awaken personal interest in our missionaries in the churches. One box I secured from First Church, Cleveland, worth \$250, through your suggestion, as the sisters wrote me. Another came from First Church, Germantown, Pa., through Bro. Swaim.

"There are two or three families I have not aided. I will write to these at once, and ask them to forward the needed particulars, as that will save time, which may be important. I trust God will overrule all our trials for the good of his cause, and the deepening of a sense of responsibility in our churches in regard to domestic mission work.

"There are several of the families aided that I know need even more now, and of course the wants grow with time.

"I was called home Saturday last for the third time, expecting that the dear daughter had reached the 'extreme hour.' But she still lives, though the last hour must be very nigh.

"The revival interest I have just left at Sheboygan Falls is very encouraging, and the work was increasing in power daily. This and one or

two other churches I felt I must help personally. I think we have quite a number of good revivals now in the State, and the calls for aid in that direction are increasing. But O the trials and anxieties of this past year are killing me fast.

"God bless you.

"J. W. FISH."

Clothing.—First Baptist Church in Pierpont Street, Brooklyn, two barrels.

Hanson Place Baptist Church, three barrels. Mrs. Dr. Cutting and others, of Strong Place Baptist Church, six barrels all to missionaries in Kansas.

Mrs. Charles Whiting, of Strong Place Church, two barrels of clothing, valued at \$135.

Rev. Mr. Folwell, from his people in Brooklyn, to missionaries and families in Wisconsin, three barrels.

Ladies of First Baptist Church, New York, Rev. T. D. Anderson, D. D., pastor—A large barrel of excellent clothing and goods to a worthy missionary and family in Nebraska.

Six barrels and two boxes of clothing and goods have been sent to missionaries and their families by the ladies of Madison Avenue Church, New York.

One box of clothing has been sent to a missionary and family by the ladies of the First Germantown Baptist Church, Pennsylvania.

Another has been sent by the ladies of the Williston Baptist Church, Pennsylvania.

The ladies of Central Baptist Church, Brooklyn, have forwarded clothing and goods for missionaries in Wisconsin.

A barrel has been sent to a missionary and family in Nebraska, by a lady in Brooklyn and her friends.

"THE Dorcas Society of Calvary Bapt. Ch. N. Y. sent us a box of clothing, which came very timely. Couldn't have stayed but for it. God bless them and theirs. While writing this, the train comes, bringing relief to the 100 needy families in our county: wood, provisions, and clothing to help through the winter. Shall try and get through the year, though I expect to receive but little, if any more, from brethren on the field until another crop is raised. Shall work, sacrifice, and if need be, suffer for the Master.

Windem, Minn.

"M. C. CUMMINGS"

An Opportunity.

OUR Home Mission Society is in debt, and we Baptists of Illinois have helped to make this debt. At least \$4,000 of this debt is ours. Will we pay it and relieve our Home Mission Society, and the General Association of this State of one of the greatest embarrassments?

Are there not 4,000 Baptists who will now come to the rescue with their "dollar each?" I have a wife and four children, all members of the church but the youngest, who is only seven years old. We talked the matter over, and agreed unanimously to send our dollar each, not leaving out the youngest.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Let us send to Rev. I. N. Hobart, 61, Washington street, Chicago.—O. B. STONE.—*The Standard*.

A young brother from the 16th Baptist Church in this city, says "God is blessing the labors of our pastor, the Rev. David B. Jutten, who, although young in years, is mighty in the Scriptures; affectionate, devoted, and spiritual in his labors, by which many are being won to Christ. He is holding meetings with his people every evening, conversions are numerous, and baptisms are frequent."

Very much that is encouraging is reported from day to day from most of our devoted pastors and churches in New York and Brooklyn, and other cities and villages near and remote.

"Greeley, Col., March 3, 1874.

"Rev. J. S. BACKUS, D.D.

"DEAR BROTHER:—I herewith send you my report for the fourth quarter of my year as your missionary. This quarter has been one of hard labor and of great blessing. We observed the week of prayer, with union meetings, all denominations uniting. It was soon evident that the Lord was waiting to bless. Our meetings continued every evening, and with some day meetings, for nearly six weeks. About forty profess to have been converted. Of these twelve have already been received by the Church for baptism. There will be, we hope, nearly as many more to follow soon. Those received, we think, will all be valuable members. The youngest is a little girl of eight years, the eldest a lady over sixty. The Church have been greatly revived; and have publicly pledged themselves to pray and labor for the conversion of souls the entire year.

"The Sunday-school during the year has increased from an average of 40 to an average of 140. The Congregation will average nearly 200. My people, financially, are much embarrassed, but they promptly pay what they pledge; everything is running on a safe basis. In looking back over the year we can but praise the Lord for his wonderful works. It has been a year of real and substantial advance in every respect.

"The Church is, especially grateful to the Society for the aid promised next year; and we believe there are few if any places in the territory where aid will bring better returns. Though our house of worship seats 300 it was remarked last Sabbath that it already seems almost too small for our congregation and Sunday-school, and yet each one of the four other churches has its pastor and regular service. Pray for us, that the Lord may abide with us through all the year to come.

"H. C. Woods, *Miss'y.*"

"P.S. Enclosed find a receipt for \$3.00 as a contribution to your treasury, from self, wife, and little boy."

"SCOTIA, N. Y.

"THE Lord has been blessing us this winter. I have baptized twenty-one, and shall baptize ten or twelve more, I think. J. R. MERRIMAN."

Rev. A. Gale, says—"I am in the midst of a precious series of meetings. God is here. Sinners are saved. Old hoppers are reclaimed. Christians strengthened, and the Church united, encouraged, and comforted. Oh, how blessed it is to lead sinners to Christ! How a revival will bring a little straying church out of the wilderness!

"Bless God for revivals."

LEE KEY, of Baptist Chinese Mission, 829 Washington Street, San Francisco, California, reports:—"My work is to assist the Rev. John Francis, in the Mission-school, and to preach the Gospel to my countrymen in San Francisco, and elsewhere in the State of California. I have labored thirteen weeks in the quarter, and have held eighty-four public meetings in teaching and preaching the Gospel in the Mission School, and in the open air. I have preached also to the Sabbath-schools, where my countrymen are gathered for instruction in the doctrine of Jesus. Two of the pupils of the Mission have been baptized, and added to the First Baptist Church in this city. Two other good and useful brethren from China, have been added to the Mission, and we are daily looking for our brother Dong Gong, who has been studying with Rev. R. H. Graves, in Canton, China; and when he arrives we hope to organize a Chinese Baptist Church, as the ministering brethren have expressed their approval. Bro. Francis will lay the matter before you soon. Number of pupils in the Mission-school, 125; teachers, 12; pupils in the Sabbath-schools, 250; teachers, 75.

"Your brother in Our Lord Jesus,

"LEE KEY."

"EXETER, N.H., Feb. 3, 1874.

"DEAR BRO. BACKUS:—The Commission came while I was absent. I have been helping Bro. Newell in a protracted effort at Inland, forty-five miles west of here.

"Bro. Newell and myself are the only ministers of our denomination between Lincoln and Kearney Junction, a distance of one hundred and fifty miles, with seven thriving villages, besides several important stations that in time will be important places. We feel that the field is large, and more than we can occupy as it should be, but we are trying to do so as best we can. We must have assistance for the year 1874. I trust we shall still have the prayers, sympathy, and confidence of our brethren. Though our report may not show as much work done, and you may not find as much accomplished as you might expect, I trust that the next quarter will be more than satisfactory, as the most of my time has been spent in holding meetings, and visiting among the people. God bless the Home Mission Society, and help us to do all in our power to replenish its treasury. We have resolved to raise 50 cts. a member on my field, which I report from fifty members, \$25.00. I think I shall be able to raise more than this. I hope our brethren throughout the State will do the same, and that we shall soon be able to ap-

point other laborers on many of these inviting and important fields.

"J. E. INGHAM, *Missionary.*"

Work Among the French in Massachusetts.

"SALEM, just now, is a point of considerable interest. We found the few French Protestants here at sword's point, neutralizing each other's influence for good, and so alienated that neither prayer-meeting nor social visit were possible. With hardly one exception, union in worship and effort is the order of the day, and I have seen every one of our Protestant French there grow into a zealous, faithful missionary among his countrymen. The young blacksmith, baptized a couple of months ago, is foremost as a champion of the truth. He generally succeeds in bringing some Romanist to our gatherings. Recently he successfully defended the doctrines of the Bible in a long discussion with the priest of the place. He is making himself useful as a chorister in our meetings and teacher of a class of French children in a mission Sunday-school.

"Another of the brethren, a striking evidence of the power of the Gospel to change a man, has been useful as a colporteur. Two families in this vicinity have recently professed conversion from Romanism to Christ in connection with his earnest efforts. I have arranged for him to spend some time with the two thousand five hundred French Canadians in that place. The First Church of Worcester are to bear his expenses.

"On my last visit to Haverhill, a Roman Catholic woman, the wife of a physician in the place, rose for prayers. Both her husband and herself seem fully decided to follow the teachings of the Word of God. Our meetings at Haverhill are always attended by a good number of Roman Catholics.

"I took part in the dedicatory services of a neat French Baptist Church edifice at Burlington, Vermont, in December last. This church, costing over \$6,000, we owe to the zeal and liberality of Dea. Mial Davis of the First Baptist Church of Burlington. The Church itself has engaged to support a missionary in this field. Brother Thirick is laboring in this important field with encouraging results.

"I have endeavored to introduce the HOME MISSION HERALD, and will continue to do so.

"I send \$37.00 towards the debt of the Society. The following brethren are the contributors: Geo. Brooks, \$5.00; M. C. Warren, \$10.00; Wm. A. Bowdler, \$5.00; L. D. Loring, \$2.00; and C. K. Kirby, \$5.00—all of Boston; H. W. Penbody, Salem, \$5.00; and Cash, Fall River, \$5.00. I shall try to make up the \$100.00 before the end of March.

J. N. WILLIAMS,

Missionary.

"EMERALD, ADAMS CO., OHIO,

"February 5, 1874.

"DEAR BROTHER:—Enclosed find \$1.00 to assist in paying the debt against the Home Mission Society. Not out of the abundance of my treasures do I send

this, but with a heart full of love to God, and desire for the advancement of my Redeemer's Kingdom, I do what I can. My heart's desire and prayer to God is, that he will fill with love the hearts of those to whom he has entrusted much riches, that they may soon fill the treasury of the Lord to overflowing.

"MRS. E. H. McNEIL."

"Having Received Help from God, He Helps His Brethren."

"ANGUSTA, MICH., Feb. 12, 1874.

"REV. JAY S. BACKUS, New York City.

"DEAR BRO.:—My commission as a missionary to labor at Augusta and Climax was duly received.

"At the time of its receipt and until now I have been holding extra meetings at Climax. The Lord has been with us, and about thirty have been brought to Christ. Sixteen have united with the church, and more will do so soon. Six have been baptized, and five stand as candidates for baptism. We confidently expect that the membership of the church will be doubled. Among those reclaimed and brought to Christ are a number of men of influence and of considerable wealth. With this addition to the church we think it will be able to support a pastor of its own. I am seeking a man to occupy this field. In this work at Climax, Bro. O. S. Wolfe, of Athens, has been our efficient helper.

"Financially, my field has yielded me more than I had expected, and as the Home Mission treasury is so largely overdrawn, I return to you my commission as a missionary, and will ask no assistance for this year. I can thus better the condition of the Society fifty dollars, and I and my family will not suffer want. I cannot draw money out of our Mission treasury at such a time as the present when I can get along in any way without it.

"I hope to commence a meeting upon my Augusta field soon.

"Pray for us that the Lord may be with us to bless with saving grace. To God we ascribe all the glory for what has been done, and to Him will look as our only source of help for the future. Fraternally,

"L. F. COMPTON.

"N. B.—Will do what I can to reduce the debt. L. F. C."

"LOVE TREE, MERRICK CO., NEB.

"DEAR BRO. TAYLOR:—You have very little idea, perhaps, of the limited means of the people in the West. Many of them have scarce the absolute necessities of life. They did not realize their expectations in their crops this year, from the heavy rains of spring followed by drought. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, we have high hopes for the future that this is to be a splendid country, and that it will well repay the tiller of its soil. We have resolved to trust in the Lord and 'go forward.' Fraternally yours,

"JNO. GUNDERMAN."

"DAVENPORT, IOWA, Feb. 28, 1874.

"One of my boys has found peace in the blood of Christ, and will be baptized to-morrow. Others are under conviction."

"I feel encouraged in preaching, in prayer, and in hope. I hope to see the time that this little flock may come to that point to be able to stand alone.

"Brethren pray for me and for the work among the Germans.

"WM. FASCHING, German Missionary."

"WARRENSBURG, NEW YORK,
"March 2, 1874.

"DEAR BROTHER:—About the first of January last Bro. C. H. Wyman, a student from Hamilton, came among us and commenced a series of meetings, which, by the favor of God, have proved a great blessing to the Church and community. The Church has been revived, sinners awakened, and a goodly number have been hopefully converted to our divine Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. Twenty-four have been received as candidates for baptism, three added by letter, and two by experience.

"S. W. J."

"WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28, 1874.

"REV. J. B. SIMMONS, D.D.:

"Secy. Am. B. Home Mission Society:

"My time during the quarter ending to-day has been devoted to the varied interests of Wayland Seminary.

"I have aided eighty students in their studies.

"I have preached fifteen sermons and made six addresses.

"One death has occurred among our students: Bro. Henry Robinson died Feb. 16th. While a slave he lived about sixty miles from Richmond, Virginia. He was a member of the Cherry Street Baptist Church, Philadelphia, at the time of his death. This was his third year in school; no student had done more Mission work; no student was more respected and beloved. He was happy to go with the Master, only wishing to remain to work for souls. We rejoice in his victory and rest, but mourn that so good a laborer has been called away at the beginning of his day of toil.

"We have rejoiced in the presence of the Holy Spirit. Four of our young men have, we believe, been regenerated. All our religious meetings have been seasons of refreshing. Last Thursday we observed as a day for fasting and prayer.

"G. N. P. KING, Principal Wayland Seminary."

Southern Colorado and New Mexico.

"DEAR BROTHER BACKUS:—Knowing the deep interest you feel for the prosperity of our denomination, I take the liberty of sending you some information I have lately received in regard to New Mexico.

"You doubtless remember writing to me under date of May 12th, 1873 (which letter I answered on the 21st of May), in regard to Mission Work in Southern Colorado and New Mexico; also asking if I would entertain the thought of going there, should the Board find it possible to appoint and give support for a missionary.

"A short time since Mr. Frank Bisby, a gentleman born and educated in this place (St. Charles, Illinois), but who has made New Mexico his home for many years, having heard that I was well acquainted with the Spanish language called upon me; and we conversed freely upon his adopted home. An outline of the facts gathered from several interviews I now submit for your consideration.

"THE COUNTRY.

"He says in regard to the country: 'The building of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad' is arousing the people from their lethargy. It is finished and in working order, to Granada, Colorado; fifteen miles beyond the west State line of Kansas; and it will be pushed on to Santa Fé, and completed at an early day. This road will open up a large region, and make Santa Fé the great business center of the territory.'

"THE PEOPLE.

"As to the people, he says: 'A large number of

American families are settling in Southern Colorado, and New Mexico. They do not understand a word of Spanish; and a very small per cent. of the Mexicans can speak English. This puts a barrier between them, and prevents social and business intercourse and development. The Mexicans must be taught the language of our country, if we would Americanize them.'

"SCHOOLS.

"In regard to schools, he says: 'No public schools exist in New Mexico. The children are quick, and anxious to learn, but have little opportunity. In a territory covering over one hundred and twenty-one thousand square miles, with a population of more than one hundred and fifteen thousand, and rapidly increasing, there are only—as far as he knows—of all grades and classes, forty-four schools; and these, with a very few exceptions, are ROMAN CATHOLIC! The better class of Mexicans are leaving the Territory, solely for the purpose of educating their children.' He thinks, 'a first-class academy, in a good location, would soon be filled with pupils; and, in a short time, with judicious management, a good endowment could be raised for its support. Even a school to teach the English and Spanish languages, could be made a success.'

"CHURCHES.

"In regard to churches: 'The Catholics have 152; Protestant Episcopal, 3; Presbyterian, 1; Methodist, 1; Baptist 1. There are sixteen towns with over 1,000 inhabitants each, and a large number of villages with from 500 to 900 in population, that ought to have the Gospel preached, churches organized, and schools opened immediately.'

"THE FUTURE OF THE TERRITORY.

"As to the future of the Territory, 'it is brilliant. Its precious minerals, fine climate, stock-raising, fruit and cotton growing, manufacturing, and many other facilities, must make it, when properly developed, one of the finest States of the American continent. And now is the time, while society is in a formative condition, to take possession and mold the sentiment for Christ.' I could write much more, but do not wish to trespass on your time and patience.

"In view of the magnitude of the work to be accomplished, I am constrained to say, if the Board is willing to appoint, and give a sufficient support for a general missionary on that field, and, after mature consideration, is directed to offer me the appointment, I shall take it as an indication of Providence, and will accept it, and go to New Mexico via Southern Colorado, explore the whole field, and find out the true state of things in all their relations and bearings. If, after a thorough examination, I feel perfectly satisfied as to its immediate development, and future growth, and also, that I am the right man for the place, I shall at once resign my pastorate, dedicate myself entirely and permanently to that field, and, with God's blessing, make it a spiritual and financial success.

"I am very pleasantly located, with a strong united church, and a fine society; but am ready to give up everything for Jesus, yea, my life if he should require it in his service. I am willing to go anywhere, or do anything provided I can be the means of saving lost souls."

Query. Who that reads this is as willing to give his money to support the brother on a field so important and in a work so full of promise?

"ABBOTT'S CORNERS, ERIE CO., N. Y.,

"March 2, 1874.

"DEAR HOME MISSION SOCIETY—A poor unworthy sister in Christ would like to be one of the 70,000 to contribute one dollar towards canceling that great debt which is due to the servants of Jesus, whom they serve. I very much regret that I cannot send more.

"MRS. P. W. POWERS."

Correspondence Between the Home Mission Field and the Foreign Mission Field.

THE writer, Rev. R. H. Graves, was, at one time, our missionary among the Chinese in San Francisco. We trust Bro. Simmons, in Canton, of whom he speaks, soon may be.

"CANTON, Jan. 7, 1874."

"DEAR BROTHER FRANCIS:—Your letter, enclosing bill of lading, reached me by last mail. I am rejoiced to hear of the continued prosperity of the school and Sunday-schools, and glad to know that two have recently put on the Lord Jesus Christ by baptism. Remember me to them in Christian love.

"Poor Dong Gong has had a troublous time. There have been disturbances in his native village, and his mother and relatives have lost much of their property. He has been at home for several weeks, trying to make arrangements for his mother during his absence. I hope he will leave here by steamer of February 12th.

"Thank you for attending to the groceries for me. All came safely, except that one bag of small hominy, charged on the bill (.65), was not in any of the boxes. The things were all in excellent order.

"I am very sorry to say that Mrs. Simmons has been ordered to leave by the doctors, who say she cannot stand another hot season here. Bro. Simmons regrets leaving the mission field very much. His heart is set on working for the salvation of the Chinese, and he hopes the Lord will open a way for him to labor among the Chinese in California. He expects to leave here in April or May. We all regret his leaving very much. He is a man who grows on acquaintance. A man of humble piety, practical wisdom, sound judgment, and excellent executive ability. Mrs. S. is a most estimable woman, but in very delicate health.

"Thank you for the numbers of the *Evangel* you were so kind as to send me. I am glad to see that things are improving so much among our Churches in California. May God's blessing rest upon you all. Remember me to the brethren at the ministers' meeting, and to all my friends.

"Mrs. Graves sends many thanks to Mrs. F. for the beautiful sea-moss she so kindly sent. The little piece of embroidery was the work of a Chinese girl in a mission school here. It is intended for the outside of a house wife.

"Mrs. G. joins me in sending Christian love to yourself and wife. Remember us both to A Chak, A Shing, and the other Chinese brethren.

"Good-bye. Praying that God may bless you in your work and in your own soul.

"I am

"Your brother in Christ,

"R. H. GRAVES."

"RED BLUFF, CAL., Jan. 22, 1874.

"DEAR SIR:—We have been incorporated

under the laws of California, and have let the contract to build a church for \$3,145, and the building is now being built on the most desirable location in town.

"Our Sabbath school is in a flourishing condition, with sixty scholars and nine teachers.

"We expect to be in debt about \$1,000 on the meeting-house, but every effort will be made to reduce it, and when we get out of debt we hope to get a man suited to the place. We are very thankful for the favors conferred upon us by the Home Mission Society, and hope we shall be able in future to give a better report of ourselves. We have many Chinamen here, and as soon as our building is ready for use I intend to get primers and teach them to read English and then the Bible. There is a very great work to be done here among all classes of society.

"Yours truly,

"GEO. O. LEONARD."

"Workers Together with God."

"PORTLAND, OREGON, Jan. 17, 1874.

"MR. FRANCIS:—

"Dear Brother—Your favor is received. I am sincerely grateful for your kindness. I cannot sufficiently thank you; and I ask again and again, Is it possible that there are no other facilities than those mentioned for the acquisition of the Chinese language? What an oversight and indication of disregard and unconcern toward those benighted people that no more attention is bestowed in that direction!

"Inclosed please find a P. O. money order for two dollars in specie, for which you will please forward to my address one hundred tracts, a copy of the New Testament, and such a portion of the Old Testament as you may select, as I do not know in what numbers they are grouped.

"I rejoice in the prosperity of the Mission school under the supervision of yourself, and I hope and pray that the interest and fruit may increase ten-fold. How precious to labor in so destitute and neglected a field, and bring in sheaves for the Master.

"I trust that it will not be long before a mission school for the Chinese will be established in this city under the direction of the Baptist church. The Episcopal people have already sustained a Sabbath and evening school for more than a year past. There is also an evening school supported, I believe, by the Home Mission Society. The regular attendance at both places is, perhaps, not over fifty scholars.

"I am acquainted with Brother A. R. Medbury—that is, he is our pastor, although I am not as intimately acquainted as would be desirable. Sister Medbury is universally loved; she is a lovely woman indeed. The church has prospered very well since Brother Medbury came to Portland and became its under-shepherd.

"I am also acquainted with Brothers C. F. Tolman and I. N. Hobart, of Chicago, Illinois. I wish that they could visit this coast; for I think that in the hand of our Father they could accomplish great good in awakening Christian

people to the realization of the vast field in which they are placed to labor. To human perspective it would appear that the blood of souls rests largely in the skirts of God's children of this generation. Only consider how our heavenly Father is enlarging the field on every side, and His people are not ready to respond. When will self be lost, and Jesus and His cause alone seen.

"I sent a small offering, responsive to your request, the 5th of this month.

"MISS L. A. MITCHELL."

FREEDMEN SCHOOLS.

"There is no alternative!"

"OUR seven Academic Training Schools for Freedmen Preachers must be endowed if we expect them to live. There is no alternative. And in this matter, those noble-hearted Northern Baptists who have put their hands to this work will, we are sure, show themselves wise. The foundations of these schools have been generously laid in prayer and in faith, and with a view to permanency. Not a dollar of debt rests upon one of them, and never should. Suitable sites have been selected. Baptists own the ground in fee in every instance. And all that is needed is a moderate endowment of \$50,000 or \$100,000 for each. As soon as one or two of our seven schools shall be thus endowed, the Board stands ready to push on aggressively into other States, which need, but have no such school, and from which loud entreaties continue to reach us. The older schools should not long remain on the hands of the Home Mission Board. They should be made to go alone as soon as may be. This is our policy concerning the Churches we help; it should be our policy with these schools. Their dependence upon missionary support can in no other way be made healthfully to cease, as far as your Board can see."

The above declaration on ENDOWMENTS was unanimously adopted both by the Board and by the Society, in May, 1872. And now, reader, if you would help forward this great and difficult work of Christ after you reach heaven, you can do it by making your will now—saying:

"I give and bequeath to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, \$ towards the Endowment of a School for educating Freedmen preachers and pious teachers; the principal to be safely invested, and the interest to be used perpetually for that purpose and for no other."

Three witnesses should state: "We witness to this instrument, consisting of one sheet [or two], as the last will and testament of —, by his [or her] request, in his [or her] presence, and in presence of each other." A Codicil requires the same formality in witnessing. The witnesses need not know a word of your will.

A Great Work.

It is estimated that Africa has a population of one hundred and ten millions; or, one-tenth of the entire earth! A detachment of these people, numbering four millions, now constitute the Freedmen of the South. The African race is to

he brought to Christ. But by whom? Undoubtedly by missionaries. But who must these missionaries be? An eminent authority answers this question thus:

"For three hundred years the white race has undertaken the work of reclaiming Africa, and has signally failed: and for two reasons: First, because the whites cannot endure the climate; and, Second, on account of the hostility of the natives, engendered by the cruelties of the slave-trade. The work, then, must be placed in the hands of educated blacks from the United States."

Thanks for Special Mercies.

We see it stated that the *British and Foreign Bible Society* and the *Church Missionary Society* have each received a donation of \$25,000 from an anonymous donor, as a "thank-offering for special mercies."

NOTE.—Who will send us a similar thank-offering to endow one of our Schools for training colored missionaries for work in the South and in Africa?

J. B. S.

Home and Foreign Fields.

"Enclosed find \$. I feel it my duty to make the Home and Foreign Treasuries equal in my benefactions. The Foreign work demands all it asks for, and I shall do all I can to see that it has it. The Home work needs all that the Foreign work asks for. Each could use much more and should have it. But if the Home Mission Treasury has much less than that sum, the Foreign and all other Christian work suffers."

"Yours truly in the best of causes,

"J. T. S."

By unanimous vote of the Executive Board of American Baptist Home Missions all secretaries, missionaries and teachers by them employed, are instructed to increase the list of paying subscribers to this paper to the largest possible number.

Venturing out of the Old Ruts.

"I once settled with a church whose members were struggling to maintain a 'visibility' as a religious body. Home interests occupied their attention to the exclusion of mission work. Contributions for the various benevolent objects of the day were out of the question.

"Poverty was the continual plea. Collecting agents 'spotted' the place, dropped the pastor a penny circular and passed on.

"I preached repentance, faith, prayer, activity, charity,—all the Christian duties and *Christ the way* to duty, but there we stood—*maintaining our visibility!*

"At length, I suggested a contribution to an object with which I thought the church and community to be in nominal sympathy.

"A. B. and C. said, 'We are poor and need all we can raise to pay home expenses!' However, the contribution was taken, and we got \$30. 'Wonderful! 'Hada'n't better try it again,

though. The pastor's salary will fall short at the end of the year!'

"A month later I proposed another contribution; this time to furnish libraries for poor Sunday Schools in the South.

"The proposition met with some opposition. (The war was just ended, and sectional feelings were strong), but, succeeded better than I feared, and the libraries were sent.

"When the grateful acknowledgments of the recipients reached us, we were in the midst of a glorious revival.

"The church had ventured out of the old ruts of selfishness, and was prepared to receive the divine blessing. Brethren, when we accept grace to appreciate our mission as ministers and leaders in Zion, we may expect to receive of Christ's fulness to keep us, 'and grace for grace.'
"D. U."

STANDING EDITORIAL RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved.—That there is no argument, either in Scripture or reason, for gathering children into classes and teaching them God's Word, which does not apply with equal force to adults.

Resolved.—That every class ought to be taught the Christian duty of benevolence in the giving of money, and that the gatherings of missionary offerings from these classes, from Sabbath to Sabbath, including gifts for the **American Baptist Missionary Society**! ought to be the order of the day, all over the land. Text, Prov. iii. 9, 10.

Sunday School Growth.

A RIGHT idea has in it a wonderful growth. It is not only sure to grow when once germinated, but to push steadily on until it reaches its full normal form, and size, and power to reproduce its kind. It may grow fast or slow, but nothing can kill it, and nothing can stunt it.

The Sabbath-school is one of the growing ideas already developed. How imperfectly apprehended at first! But the idea has grown, as well as spread. The Sabbath-school now enlists the best talent of the Church. Its aim has become more and more intensely religious. It has ceased to be a school for children, but comprises equally young men and young women; while there are few schools without one or more classes for the fathers and mothers of the congregation.

Nor is the Sabbath-school to day what it was ten years ago. The essay read last year by Rev. D. P. Morgan, took the ground that the members of the church were as much bound to attend the Sabbath-school as they were the other services of the Sabbath; and the Boston North Sunday-school Convention adopted a resolution affirming that there are no reasons for gathering children on the Sabbath for the study of God's word, which do not apply with equal force to adults of all ages.* At the latter Convention, Rev. Preston Gurney, late of Chelsea, discussed *The Ideal School*.—"that form of school which the verdict of Christian people

* See our first Editorial Resolution.

shall at length fix upon." According to his conceptions of it, it was "A sacred service for the study of Scripture truth, attended both by church and congregation, and regarded as co-ordinate with the other services of the day; a worship in study, as the other services are a worship in the preaching of the Word, in prayer and praise."

Whether this does or does not fill out the true ideal of the Sabbath-school, it is certain that sooner or later the true idea will be developed in all its fulness, and become the working idea of the church at large. Meanwhile let us work steadily toward it.—*Watch and Ref.*

Un denominational and Most Appropriate Where Most Needed.

LESSON II.—(Matt. 19: 21, 22; Mark 10: 21, 22; Luke 18: 22, 23.

Who came to Jesus? *Ans.* "A young man" who was "a ruler."

Was the young man rich or poor? *Ans.* "He was very rich."

For what did he come to Jesus? *Ans.* He came and said unto him: "Good Master, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?"

And what did Jesus tell him? *Ans.* "Jesus, beholding him, loved him, and said: If thou wilt be perfect go and sell what thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven, and come and follow me."

Did the young man do it? *Ans.* He did not, "but when the young man heard it, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions."

From whom did he go away? *Ans.* He went away from Jesus.

To whom, or to what did he go? *Ans.* He went to his "great possessions."

Did his riches keep him from following Jesus? *Ans.* Not necessarily, but his love of them did.

What did Jesus say when he saw the sorrowful young man going away? *Ans.* "Jesus said to his disciples: How hardly shall they that have riches enter the kingdom of God."

How did this affect his disciples? *Ans.* "They were astonished at his words."

Did Jesus recall what he had said? *Ans.* Not at all; but Jesus spake again and said unto them: "Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God."

And what did the disciples say to this? *Ans.* "They were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves: Who, then, can be saved?"

Is it impossible for one to be saved who is rich? *Ans.* It is impossible so long as he trusts in his riches, and not in God. Hence—"CHARGE THEM THAT ARE RICH IN THIS WORLD THAT THEY TRUST NOT IN UNCERTAIN RICHES, BUT IN THE LIVING GOD."

"The HERALD is just the thing; I think it improves every number. I don't see how it can help but arouse those who read it.

"Yours in Christ,

"H. D. WEAVER, *Mary.*"

CHURCH EDIFICE DEPARTMENT.

FURNISHED BY SECRETARY TAYLOR.

The Society's Expenses.

We desire all the friends of the Home Mission Society to remember that this department of our work is in no sense a *tax* upon the general contributions of individuals or of the churches.

The salary of the Secretary of this department (whatever the service he may render to the missionary department), and *one fifth* of the general expenses at the Rooms, together with a *pro rata* portion of the salaries of the district secretaries, according to their collections, are taken from the income of the Church Edifice Fund, viz.: from the interest collected from funds already invested, and not from the receipts collected annually from the churches.

This department is not only *self-supporting* and *self-increasing*, but really contributes toward relieving the percentage of the running expenses of the general work of the Society. It has never drawn a farthing from our annual collections for sending out, or supporting the missionaries of the Society to meet its own expenses.

The most *fastidious* upon the question of Room Expenses, and of the percentage for carrying forward the Society's work we hope may find some relief in these statements.

Contributors to this fund may also find encouragement in their offerings by the assurance that every dollar they now give to it is expended, without the subtraction of a single cent, in the precise channel designated by each donor. It neither seeks nor needs the contributions of individuals or churches for any part of its annual running expenses.

Every dollar given to it is put into service for building meeting-houses, or assisting struggling churches by means of such houses, to maintain the public worship of God in important places, till they are able to return the same with seven per cent. semi-annual interest, to be used again in some other equally destitute and encouraging field of our operations.

"BLUFF STATION, ADA Co.
February 19, 1874.

"MY DEAR BRO. TAYLOR:—Yours of the 9th inst. was received last evening. Thanks for the kind and encouraging words it contains. It is like finding an oasis in a desert to receive a kind encouraging letter from a Christian brother. Oh, that all of our brethren in the east could appreciate the condition of the people in the newly-settled portions of our great country! There would be more self-sacrificing men out here at work.

"You ask me if I am traveling at my own expense? On that point I will explain by giving you a sketch of my history for the last year. I came from Oregon to this place (Bluff Station) on business, one year ago. Found a people without any preaching and anxious to hear. After attending to my other business I commenced preaching, and the result of the meeting was some twenty conversions. When that meeting closed I was very strongly solicited to hold a meeting in Weiser valley twenty-five miles from here, and also to go to Boise City, forty miles in an opposite direction. I went to the first-named place. The meeting resulted in fifteen conversions. I then went to Boise City, after

telling the young converts to read the Bible, and see whether they were *Baptists* or not. I did this, thinking it would give me time to determine what was best to do with them, as there was only one Baptist minister in the Territory besides myself, and it seemed hard to constitute little churches and leave them without any pastor. My home and family at that time was one hundred and fifty miles from here, and my means very limited. As soon as I left, an old Methodist minister visited both places and tried to get the little flocks to go into his society, which a few did. In the meantime I visited Boise City, and found a Methodist minister holding a protracted meeting, with an immense crowd attending. So I did not preach there at that time, but found a number of Baptist families there who were anxious for an organization. I also found a Congregationalist minister holding regular services in the Baptist meeting-house, and the Baptist families helping to sustain him. I left Boise City and returned to Bluff Station to find that my little flock was in confusion.

"The Methodist minister (alluded to above) having attacked *Baptist doctrine, Baptist principles, and Baptist usage in general*, I found it necessary to defend the truth. The brethren in the meantime offering inducements for me to move my family to this place I concluded to do so, and organized a church of twenty-one members. There are now twenty-eight live members. I then went to the Weiser valley (aforementioned) and organized a church with twelve members. The brethren here have assisted me to the amount of five dollars, which is more than liberal, as they are poor. Soon after I arrived here with my family my wife was taken sick, which terminated in death, the 2d day of October. I have four children, the eldest fifteen years old (a son), the youngest nine years. At present I am worth perhaps twelve hundred dollars, which is invested in a small farm and stock. My children are going to school in this place and living with the brethren. I have no relatives in this country. I am giving lessons in vocal music and preaching as much as possible. Music teaching has yielded me two hundred and seventy-five dollars this winter.

"Now, I will give you a sample of one week's work which will do for all for the past four months. Last Thursday I left home and went to Weiser by stage, twenty miles; had singing at night; preached Friday at 11 A.M.; took stage at 12 M.; went to Boise City, sixty-five miles, arrived at 1 o'clock A.M.; Saturday at 11 A.M. preached, and at night; also Sabbath morning and evening; Monday evening had singing, six miles in country; Tuesday had prayer-meeting in town; Wednesday had singing in country, six miles; Thursday came by stage home forty-five miles; to-day leisure; to-morrow start on the same round again, except that my course will be different. But the exercise will be the same.

"Now, my good brother, I have not written this in a spirit of egotism, but to try to give you a correct idea of the great need of more help in this field. I could, perhaps, live in greater personal ease were I to locate at Boise City, and especially if the Missionary Board was to appoint me to that work, and help sustain me. But I cannot do the preaching that is required in this country. Boise City is a very important point, and should have nearly the entire labors of a good minister. But, suppose I am the man for that place, what is going to become of the balance of this country? Can I leave all these country settlements and little churches destitute? God forbid that this should be necessary. I can make a living in this country, and spend nearly all of my time in the ministry. We have ministers to whom God has not given the tact to do this, and yet they are men of ability. Send one of that class of men to Boise City, and help him, and let me work in the valleys and sustain myself.

"J. B. FOSTER."

"P.S.—In looking over this I see that there is no mention made of the labors of another minister who lives in this Territory. He is a good old man; I love him as a Christian brother, but he cannot preach, except in a

few outside neighborhoods. He is a farmer and spends nearly all of his time at farm work.

"J. B. FOSTER."

The True Spirit.

***** N. Y.

"REV. E. E. L. TAYLOR:

"DEAR SIR—Enclosed is \$5.00 for the Church Edifice Fund.

"It seems so little to send when so much is needed. I wish that all our denomination could experience the same great joy that I have for the last few months, and sure I am that the treasurers of our societies would not be in debt, for we would give; couldn't help it.

"R. T. R."

HOME MISSION RECEIPTS.

FOR FEBRUARY, 1874.

MAINE.—Friend 1, Hebron Ch. 8; P. D. Bailey 1.50. Thomas Ch. 30; Members of Baptist Ch. 30. Kneebush, Mrs. S. S. Nason 1.50. Yarmouth, J. Backman 2; Friend 2. East Jefferson, 1st Ch. 4.50. Bangor, Friend 1. Carriage, Seth Lawrence 1; Rev. A. W. Cummings and wife 2. Brookline, G. M. Snow and wife 2. Hallowell, Rev. E. H. Emery and wife 2. Cherryfield, Rev. E. S. Small 1. Chubbago, Friend 1. Casco, S. P. Somes and wife 1. North Livermore, Rev. C. Parke and wife 2; A. J. Ryerson 1; T. Wyman 1; Emily Wyman 1; Alanson Hinkley 1; S. B. Thompson 1. Sedgewick, D. Morgan 1. North Newport, a Member of Baptist Ch. 2. Bath, Friends by H. Hildreth 10. New Gloucester, Rev. H. Stebbins 1. Ellsworth, a working girl 1; Friendship, Mrs. E. C. Jameson 1; Hallowell Ch. 5. Wayne, a Sister 20 cts; A. J. B. and wife 2.—\$134.50.

Friend's Fund.—Cherryfield Ch. 10. Bangor, 3d Ch. S. S. 50.70. Bridgewater Ch. 1. East Corinth Ch. 5.50. Corinna, Rev. J. Stewart 5.—\$85.30. Total, \$219.80.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Keene Ch. 50.25. New London Ch. 27.50. Exeter, T. G. Moulton and Friends 3. Brentwood, J. H. Larned 1; J. S. Turk 1. Alstead Centre, a Sister 10. Concord, F. Pillsbury 1; M. R. B. 3; Rev. G. H. Safford 1; Mrs. E. H. Safford 1; Emma G. Safford 1; Willie H. Safford 1; George H. Safford 1. Danbury, Rev. F. Merriam 2; N. Clough 3; Mrs. M. C. 1.—\$146.11.

Friend's Fund.—Keene Ch. 20.25. Concord, 1st Ch. 20; S. Sch. 50. Hudson, 1st Ch. 3.50.—\$107.97. Total, \$254.07.

VERMONT.—West Brattleboro', Mission per Rev. C. A. Votey 2. Albans, 1st Ch. 24.45. Chester Ch. in part 49.60. Ludlow Ch. and Soc. 15. Franklin, C. B. Hibbard 1; Mrs. S. E. Pomeroy 1; Johnson S. Sch. 10. Watford, Sarah A. Thayer 1. Jamaica, J. O. Lamphar 1. Guilford, Mrs. Flora G. Avery 1.50. East Charlotte, Mrs. Henry Field 1; C. W. Field 1; Mrs. C. W. Field 1; Mrs. W. W. Read 20 cts. Fairfax, Friend 1. Bradford, S. K. Winslow 1. Total, \$129.50.

MASSACHUSETTS.—C. W. K. 1. Boston, C. H. Nichols 1; Friend 2.75; Mrs. T. Gilbert and daughter 2; "H." 1.50; a Sister 2; Friend 1; Mrs. J. W. Pierce 2; J. Southwick 3; Mrs. Eunice Safford 1; J. H. Harris and family 3; Miss Lavinia Williams 3; Stoughton St. Ch. (\$25 of which is from Mrs. Geo. Ellis) 68.75; Warren Ave. Ch. in addition, 30.55. Gardner, Annuity of Susannah Stone, per L. H. Bradford 105. Shelburne Falls, J. R. Bardwell and family 3. Princeton, Asa H. Goddard 625. Legacy of Lucretia Eveleigh per Asa H. Goddard 184.73. Chelsea, One who loves Christ 1. Marblehead, Rev. G. W. Patch and family 10. West Dighton, Edwin Baker 1. Beverly, Mrs. Julia A. Rogers 2. Barnstable, Rev. E. F. Merrill, and wife, and daughter 2. Raynham, Mrs. Sydney Leonard 1. Mrs. Samuel Shaw 1. Mass. Field, Rev. John Blain 25. Watertown, Mrs. John Coolidge 6. Charlestown, Boardman Miss. Soc. of 1st Ch. 250. So. Hanson Ch. 25.50. Andover Ch. 20. Shelburne Falls, B. Maxwell 4; Mrs. Mary Eagen 1.50. Gloucester Ch. 15. Wollaston Ch. 17.07. Westminster Ch. 25. Old Cambridge, Freeman Stone 27.50. Winchester Ch. 30. Winchester Ch. 11.54. Lawrence 1st Ch. 105. Groton Ch. 10. Malden Ch. 69.41. Salisbury and Amesbury Ch. 50. So. Framingham Ch. 45. So. Abington Ch. 50.50. Worcester, C. P. Rugg 1. Beverly, E. P. Sargent 2. Charlestown, S. Shaw 1. Andover Ch. 3. Weston, Dr. L. Goodenough, wife, and daughter 3. Oxford, Wm. Newton and family 4. No. Reading, Mrs. Deborah Parker 1. No. Uxbridge, Rev. J. H. Tilton 1; M. A. Tilton 1. Turner's Falls Ch. 3. Worcester, R. F. Upham and friends 1. Haverhill, Friend 3. Winchester, J. Q. A. Bryant 5; Andover, R. H. A. Winchester, G. R. Raymond 1; Merrick Wood and wife 2. Bolton, Rev. B. A. Edwards 2. East Webster, S. Robinson and wife 2; John Richards and wife 2. No. Chelmsford, H. Hollis 10. Manchester, A. H. Sanborn 1. West Acton, Mary Haggood 2. Hingham, Friend 1. Newton Centre, S. C. Haskell 1; Mary F. Haskell 1; S. S. Haskell 1. Salem, Friend 1. Gloucester, "Marchant" 1. Malden, an aged Sister 1. Chelsea, a Widow 1. Amesbury, Mrs. Daniel Morrill 1. Westboro', Mrs. Louisa F. Cheever 3. Worcester, Friend 10. Lynn, Friend 1; a Widow's, wife 1. Sudbury, Mrs. C. A. Walton 1. Arlington, Mrs. E. F. War-